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In re Application of: Shaher A. Ahmad
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Examiner: James L. Swiger III
Title: **BONE ANCHOR SYSTEM**

Mail Stop Amendment
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Dear Sir:

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RESPONSE PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

In response to the Office Action mailed September 19, 2006 (the "Office Action"), Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to reconsider the rejection of the claims in view of the following Amendments thereto, and the comments as set forth below. Please amend the Application as follows.